



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
The Assistant Secretary for Administration
Washington, D.C. 20230

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Chief, Special Security Center
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My office has experienced an increase in the number of Sensitive Compartmented Information requests. The majority of these requests have been for high level Department of Commerce officials and, as a result, we have asked your agency to process many of these individuals on an expedite basis. Expediting these cases has caused problems for both of our offices. Additionally, the anticipated turnover of top management in the Department over the next two years will only exacerbate this situation.

Accordingly, I request that my office be given the authority to grant Sensitive Compartmented Information access to Department of Commerce employees. This would eliminate delays in processing, which would be beneficial to both Agencies.

I wish to point out that all of my adjudicators have completed the DCI's Seminar for SCI Adjudicators and are quite familiar with the requirements of DCID 1/14. Therefore, please be assured that, should authority be granted, we will continue to adhere to personnel security standards and procedures governing eligibility for access to Sensitive Compartmented Information and to coordinate any unusual problem with your office.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Michael N. Cassetta
Director
Office of Security